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by purely photographic processes in an entirely satisfactory manner. The LICK Observatory has no facilities for making enlargements of this sort upon paper, and we have made no experiments in enlargements except upon glass plates. The highly successful experiments of Baron ROTHSCHILD are therefore all the more welcome.

E. S. H.

HELIOGRAVURE OF *MARE CRISIUM* AND VICINITY.

The frontispiece to Volume V of 1893 of the *Publications* is a heliogravure of *Mare Crisium* and vicinity, copied from a drawing made by Professor WEINEK from LICK Observatory negatives. The impressions printed in our volume have been presented to the Society by Mrs. PHEBE HEARST. The great advantage of the heliogravure process over others may be seen by comparing the print in No. 27, A. S. P., with the phototype engraving given on page 81 of Volume IV.

Professor WEINEK is now preparing a volume of such heliogravures, which will be published by the LICK Observatory by the aid of a gift from Mr. LAW of New York. A few of his drawings have already been published in the *Zeichnungen und Studien des Mondes*, Prague, 1893.

E. S. H.

THE PROPOSED OBSERVATORY ON MONT BLANC.

The three wood-cuts in the present number are here printed by permission of the editors of the *Illustrated American*, New York. They illustrate in a striking manner the difficulties to be overcome in placing an observatory upon the summit of this high mountain. These difficulties are described in some detail in these *Publications*, Vol. III, page 50, and Vol. IV, page 181.

The height of Mont Blanc is 15,700 feet. Pike's Peak in Colorado is 14,134 feet high and its summit is connected by *railway* with the neighboring town of Manitou. It would seem, therefore, to have certain practical advantages over the French station.

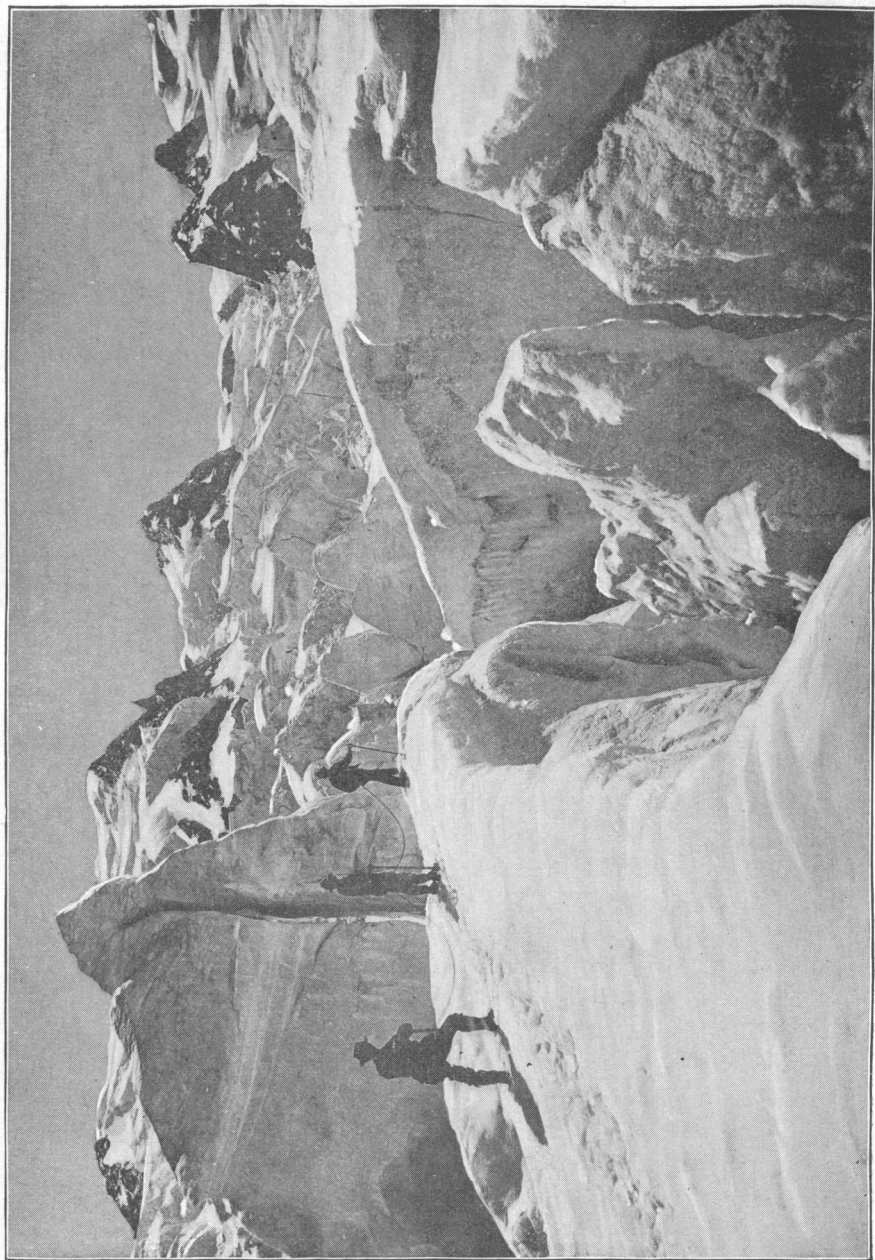
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FALL OF A METEORIC STONE IN INDIA IN A. D. 1621.

In the Memoirs of the Mogul Emperor JAHANGIR (ELLIOT'S History of India, Vol. VI, page 378) the following interesting chronicle appears:

"Fall of a Meteoric Stone.

"On the morning of the 30th *Farwardin* of the present year [XVI year of the reign which began 10th March, 1621], a very



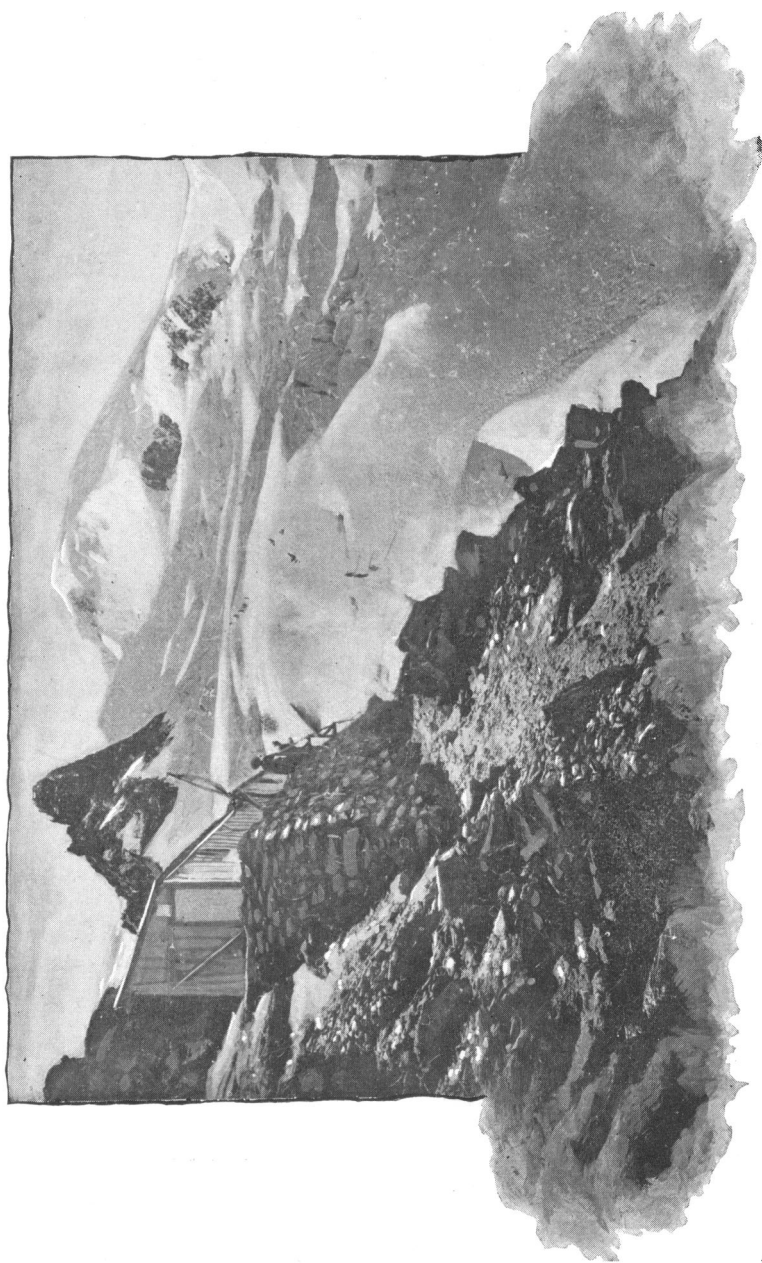
ON THE WAY TO THE MOUNT BLANC OBSERVATORY.—I.

(From *The Illustrated American*.)



ON THE WAY TO THE MOUNT BLANC OBSERVATORY.—12.

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ON THE WAY TO THE MOUNT BLANC OBSERVATORY.—III.

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